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Mr. H. A. Ramsden
P. O. Box 204,
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My dear Mr. Ramsden:-

Your letters of November 7th and 23rd at hand, and I am herewith sending you the delayed compliments of the season.

In my invoice of October, settling up the account for $142.68, the error that you noticed is easily straightened out. The item which read, Three Corean Charms pamphlets should have read Three Chinese Open Work Charms pamphlets. I have none of these Open Work Charms pamphlets on hand, and have 14 Corean pamphlets, otherwise I think everything is correct.

Long before the war started there was in this country a gradual business depression, also a government regulation of certain Trusts and big concerns, so that dividends and so forth in a great many things were cut, so that the affect was felt pretty generally. The war coming on top of that has really caused a lot of people to draw in their horns.

The Insect Money monograph has come to hand and many thanks for the complimentary copy. I have sent a review of this to the Numismatist and to Mehl. The ten you sent me I think I will be able to sell in the course of time without any difficulty.

The little daughter is getting on finely.

Yours dues to the Society and the Association will be due shortly. Shall I pay these for you? I have written to the American Type Foundery to send you direct, some of their catalogues of Type and pricelists. They should be on their way to you by this time.

On looking over the egg shaped coin I think that Valentine is right. I failed to read it because all I saw were the black lines and did not grasp that the piece was Itaglio and that I should read the white lines. The zarb Yarkand is plain. The other side may be Khizr bin Allah. The Khizr is fairly plain but the rest might be read differently. I think Valentine deserves a good deal of credit for working this out.

Elliott Smith, 15 Anderson Street, New Rochelle, New York, evidently subscribed to the Journal throught the U. S. Coin Co., and says that he

has not received a copy since last May, and desires to continue. Send him volume IV and bill to him direct with the instructions, if you wish, to pay me. In other words he wants to continue and your books ought to state how far he has paid up. If he is shy of any of the back numbers, I will let him have them from the stock I have here which goes through volume three.

I trust you got the coins returned to you without much trouble, and that you received them without having to pay duty. In checking up you will notice that the Kung money number 20381, was not sent. This piece you presented to us though I inadvertently included it on the list of coins returned. I have sold a couple of the Hansatu albums but will not make returns to you until later.

Many thanks for your information about the Corean decorations. I am keeping the Corean coins you sent me at $15.00. Sears has sent me check for invoice of Aug. 25th for $3.22 and for the gold Oban on invoice of Oct. 15 for $55.22. The porcelain tokens have been held up here at the custom house charging him 60% duty for manufactured articles of porcelain. He is protesting this charge with the government, and I am expecting a check from him for these any day. If in this letter, I do not send you a check for what I owe you, which around $76, I will send it in a few days, as soon as I get down-town to the Yokohama Bank..

I suppose you will send in the course of time, the collection of cowries you have reserved for us. Under separate cover I am sending you some wampum Peag. There is a dollars worth on the string. It is really very hard to get now-a-days. A lot that collected in sales is nothing more than beads or modern Western wampum. What I am sending you is old and has come out of mounds.

I have paid Eugene Klein $5.34 for six Scott catalogues. Delmar's History of Money and China is very hard to get hold of. I cannot find a copy for sale. The only thing to do is to keep my eyes open and try for one later. I read it some years ago, and if I remember rightly, did not think much of it. I think he used the theory that the round cash was an evolution of the knife money. Woodruff's Evolution of Modern Numerals from Ancient Tally Marks, I have not been able to locate. I will get on the track of this later.

I still collect Kwan Eis, but as I have not been able to get hold of many during the past year, my interest has died down somewhat, but it can be easily revived if I have something to work on. I would be very glad to have you send on any you think I would like, but I would very much prefer to buy them.

Our friend Higgings is very little in evidence now-a-days.

I take it that your book on the Ancient Chinese Shell Currency is not out yet. If you intend to send any of these on for me to sell, I think it would be best to send me on only four or five, as the price may deter some from buying.

I must cut this letter short as I am head over heels in work with the reports for our annual meeting which comes off in a few days.

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Howland Wood Esq.,
c/o American Numismatic Society,
156th Street, West of Broadway,
New York City, N.Y.

Dear Sir:-

We beg to advise having forwarded you this day, as registered printed matter, what we consider quite a numismatic curiosity, in the shape of a set of counterfoils or stubs used in connection with the issue of bank notes at the beginning of the Meiji period, as described in an article in Volume I, page 168 of the Numismatic and Philatelic Journal of Japan. When the above article referred to was written by our Mr. Ramsden, the only one value mentioned was then known to him. From the same find therein alluded to, we have now bought the remainder, consisting of five sets, each comprising all the values known, seven in numbers, which is complete. We thought that you, or in default, the American Numismatic Society, would be interested in possessing a set and for which purpose it has been sent to you. As the price is quite economical, we sent it on without first waiting for your permission to do so and hope we have done right, as they form an interesting side line to a collection of Japanese Paper Money.

We wrote to Eugene Klein, Inc., of Philadelphia to procure and send on to us, ten copies of Scotts Postage Stamp Catalogue for 1914 and told him to collect from you. Should he make application for same, please settle in conformity.

It is now some time since we have had any direct news from you, but probably the Christmas Holidays may account for this.

Yours faithfully,

JUN KOBAYAGAWA CO.,
per,

February 16, 1914.

Mr. H. A. Ramsden
P- O. Box 214
Yokahama, Japan-

My dear Ramsden:-

I owe you many apologizes for not having written you for such a long time, and also for not having answered your letters. The fact is that I have been so tied up with the exhibition of United States coins, that I have done no writing whatever for over two months. Days and evenings, I have been hard at work classifying and cataloguing and also arranging these coins. Besides this the thousands of pieces that have been formely on display had to be taken down and put away.

I feel ashamed about the silver piece of Tibet, which you asked me to write up for you. I have still got to make that visit to the public library, to work out the Tibitan inscription. I haven't been down town more than three times in the past three months, the Society being up-town some six miles from the middle of New York. Nevertheless this will be attended to soon, I hope.

Mr. Adams turned over to me the other day, the cut for your Japanese advertisement. I want to thank you especially for the rubbing book for your Turkistan coins. I have enjoyed looking it over very much, and every one that I have shown them to seem to be taken with the neat way in which the pieces have been mounted up. I take it, these books are blank, and can be purchased. If so, will you please send me two or three of these books together with the bill. I also want to thank you for the sent me on October 15.

Either in this enclosure or one that will follow about the same time, I am remitting to you everything on my books, up to date. I should have done this long before this, but simply have been unable to get around to it. I am drawing up a new balance sheet which included

items sent in the last balance sheet, but as my account is still open, I thought I would include everything up to date. If you find any errors, let me know.

I am returning in this letter the Cary decoration that we are not keeping. and as you will notice by the balance sheet, the rest of the invoice is now being paid for. I doubt very much if we could use any more of the Corian medals and decorations, as the man that buys these for the Society is now in Europe, where he will remain for some time.

I am sorry to say that I have forgotten to look up my data on the modern Chinese copper coins. It is home some where. I have made a note of this and will try to get at it. I am sending you herewith an application blamk and various facts about the Panama Pacific Exposition of Chicago together with the letters. These I have no use for, so you can keep them all.

Whether I get to San Francisco or not, I cannot yet tell. Some time when you think of it, I wish you would send me over a small package of Japanese sun flowersseedes. Our gardener here at the building asked me if I would not get some for him. What kind he wants I do not know. I do not know whether I mentioned it, but I want you to renew my subscription to the Numismatic Philatelic Journal. The money is being sent with the rest of the money. You will notice by the enclosed memorandum, that Adams rebated $5 on the ad in the Numismatist, making the bill for the insertions on it already printed $3

Your various invoices of modern Chinese Turkistan pieces have pleased me very much, and I am keeping them all. You will also notice by the balance sheet I am sending you, that I have paid the Mekeel Severn Wyle Co. $15 and $40 as per your request, also I have received from them $13.74. I am sending you considerable money which John Robinson has sent me.

I am sorry to hear that Mrs. Ramsden has been ill, and trust that long before this, she has recovered. I thought that when I came to New York I would have my evenings free. I find however, that what with keeping house, attending to various social duties with my wife, and the extra work to be done at the Society, the free evenings are few and far between. Some day however I may be able to get in a better routine, when I can arrange my time more to my liking. I state this as you mention that you would like the congenial job that I have. The job is congenial, I will admit, and if everything work out all right, there will be enough room for others here. Some time I may be in a position to say that the Society intends to have the best collection of Far Eastern coins known, and to be known as the authority on the subject. If that time ever comes it may be worth your while to be a part of us. It is now just a thouth in the air with a small foundation to work on. I note what you say about turning over what the U. S. Coin Co. has of your things, to me. This I will report on later as they have not yet done anything about this.

Raymond was up here the other day, and I spoke to him about it and as he apparantly did not read your letter half, he did not understand that he was to turn anythin but wrat money he received over to me. The next time I go down-town, I will attend to this.

It may be another month yet before I can ship these things back to you, as I start in a fews days to return the coins lent for the exhibition, to the various exhibitors.

I am,

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Yokohama, 20th March, 1914.

My dear Wood: -

Part of your letter of February 16th calls for special and separate answer. You mention that "Some"
"time I may be in a position to say that the Society"
"intends to have the best collection of Far Eastern coins"
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"ject. If that time ever comes, it may be worth your"
"while to be part of us".

Now as the above paragraphs specially interest me, I am going to write to you pretty lengthy, even to the verge of tediousness. You will be then not only well acquainted with my personal aspirations, but also with my views on this matter and which may perhaps have some influence at the present juncture.

As far back as 1900, I had made up my mind to take up seriously the study of Far Eastern numismatics, which coins I had already been collecting for a considerable number of years previously. As this was only possible by living, specially at the beginning, in the Far East itself, I made my plans accordingly. I began by recognizing that the span of one life was not sufficient to master the two aspects of the subject - the philological and the archeological. Several western scholars had already devoted considerable time to this question from the literary standpoint, but none, with any measure of success, had taken up the archeological point of view - in other words, that chinese scholars and not numismatists had so far studied the subject. While the academic side of the question had received every attention,

the practical side had been entirely neglected. This decided me then and there to dedicate myself to the coins themselves rather than to the books which treated about them. I retired from the British Consular service with this end in view and then entered the service of the Cuban government with the understanding that I would ultimately be appointed to Japan. Having carried this out, my services with them ceased and I was left at liberty to pursue my own course.

Having the necessary private means to live in an economical country like Japan, I decided that it was time for me to begin seriously my numismatic labours. After a short time it was imposed on me that two things were essential if I was to make the matter a success - that my small income, if adequate enough for ordinary needs, was not sufficient to cover also the cost of numismatic specimens in the required quantity for the purpose and that by merely collecting I should never acquire the necessary practical experience fast enough to enable me to carry out my primary intentions. It was then that I arranged to join my brother in law in his stamp and coin business. I was then able to devote any profits to the purchasing of numismatic specimens, and moreover be in a position to buy entire collections, keep such coins as I would require and sell the remainder through the outlet which the business afforded. Besides, the practical experience gained in handling so many coins that passed through my hands would be all that was necessary for acquiring this knowledge quicker than by any other means possible. This course, I have followed during the last eight years. In order, also, to practice the literary side, I began by publishing articles and short monographs as soon as I had learnt sufficient of each subject to render

my contributions superior in practical knowledge to all others which have previously appeared. The "Numismatic and Philatelic Journal of Japan" is but the forerunner of a more serious publication to be solely devoted to the one subject, clearly indicated by its proposed title "The Journal of Far Eastern Numismatics". By that time I hope to have gained enough experience to enable me to undertake my "magnum opus" on the Ancient Coins of China, which has always been my rêve d'or.

I think that I am now ripe to begin with the second stage of my plan - to dedicate myself entirely to numismatic research and publication of the results. The time has now arrived for me to do more than play at studying and I am now in a position to undertake something further. The number of specimens already accumulated by me, and the amount of information which I have so far gathered, on this special subject, are, I think more than sufficient to keep me occupied for the rest of my life. In fact, I doubt if I shall be ever able to record all that I have learnt about Far Eastern numismatics and unless I hurry up, the days remaining to me in this world would not be enough for me to accomplish this purpose. Anyhow, this time can not be far away now and probably I shall soon give up business altogether, and follow my own inclinations unhampared by monetary considerations. I am only waiting for certain events, to enter the third and last stage of my ambitions. Besides sugar estates which our family possess in Cuba, we have lands so far unproductive, as well as other property, and which may at any moment be liquidated. The income from sugar estate sources fluctuates too much for me to rely upon entirely, and as soon as I can be sure of safer sources of income to augment those from other

investments, then it will be the time to retire from business and devote all my energy and attention to the scientific side of Far Eastern numismatics.

I have gone to some length to recount my personal affairs so that you will understand my position. An offer to become part of you in the event of that Society finally deciding to do what you say, can not find me unresponsive. Such a step would fit in with my plans aspirations and ambitions.

Now a few words regarding the general outlook of Far Eastern numismatics and its special bearing to this particular case in point.

There is today no more appropriate branch of numismatics that could be taken up by that Society - and here are my reasons expressed as concisely as possible: -

1st ly No Museum or other institution of learning or education has so far specialized in this subject. The field is virgin.

2nd ly The literature, from a numismatic standpoint, is almost non existent. The amount of work to be done in this direction is of the greatest importance. Even from the academic point of view, western works on the subject are mere compilations of native treatises, whose european authors may have been Sinologues but were certainly not Numismatists.

3rd ly That there is no authority on the subject and that even a primary knowledge of any of its branches are accomplishments which are yet to be acquired, not only by collectors but even by Keepers of Coins of all museums abroad.

4th ly That the expense of gathering the necessary specimens for the purpose indicated would not be as great as would be the case with the coinages of other countries. The price of the "Ro" collection, which consisted solely of the ancient

coinages which are the most expensive as well as difficult to procure, will give one a good idea of how far money well invested can be made to go.

5thly That it is the only country that can boast of a numismatic history extending over 2500 years, during which period almost every conceivable class of barter currency and coinage has been resorted to. That money can here be traced from its inception through all the intermediate stages up to the present day without any interruption whatever.

6thly That the source of supply has not yet been exhausted. That as Museums, inside and outside of China, have not yet taken to collecting them, there are still many private collections, as well as individual coins available for disposal.

7thly That, with the exception of Japan, the price has not yet reached such a stage as to make their collecting prohibitive, since during the last few years, although having risen in price, they are still to be obtainable at reasonable rates.

8thly That as China is now waking up, interest is sure to be taken in her coinage, in which case the best specimens would be acquired by the government for their own national collections, as has been done in Japan.

9thly That for the same reason, foreign nations are beginning to show greater interest in that country. That archeological schools (recently an American one also) have been started in that country and which will no doubt include numismatics among its researches and the consequent scientific attention that will be focussed towards this subject.

10thly The important rôle that the early coinage of China bears to palæography and the primitive pictographs from which the modern Chinese writing is evolved.

The foregoing are but some of the most principal considera-
tion which for the moment present themselves to me. One has
only to compare what would be the case if greek or roman coins
were substituted, to fully grasp the import and full meaning of
the above reasons, but I think I have said enough to show
that they could not exercise a wiser measure or choose a better
subject for collecting, studying and acquiring a reputation for
being the most prominent, if not the only, authority, than the
coinages of the Far East.

The possession of the best collection of Far Eastern Coins
known would be a sorry spectacle for a museum without the
accompanying authority on this matter. Vice versâ, an authority
on a subject without the necessary objects referred, would be as deplo-
rable. The one must go with the other, and ought not to be
divided, as they are both complimentary. I am glad to see that
you are of the same opinion.

There is no other section of numismatics that embraces
such a wide range of shapes, material, different kinds of writing, &c
than that of the Far Eastern Countries. None are probably so
attractive, few more interesting, and certainly there is not another
about which we are in such complete ignorance.

Yours sincerely

H. A. Parsons

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March 21st, 1914.

Howland Wood Esq.,
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156th Street, West of Broadway,
New York City, N.Y.

My dear Wood:-

A few days ago I was favoured with yours of February 16th and which I now hasten to answer.

I can understand that you are very busy. When one's work is also one's hobby, there is no leisure time for anything else.

Thanks for the account and for the draft for Yen 477.82, equivalent to Dollars 238.91, which was the balance to my credit. I have not yet had time to look over the various items, but at first sight it appears O.K. When I confront same with my books I will then let you know if we dot agree, but if you hear nothing further from me, then you can take it that we are both at one. Thanks for having made one entire account of it, as the previous notes you sent me of expenditures and receipts were not entered, as they were left open.

The Invoices for the goods retained by that Society are returned to you herewith duly receipted and stamped when necessary.

Do not worry about not having had time to write up about the piece from Tibet which I sent you. When you have time please remember that we would like something from your pen, as the Journal has not yet inserted any contributions from you whatever so far.

I am glad you liked the book with rubbings of my Chinese Turkestan coins which I sent you. Although I have several more coins than those of the [illegible] sent you, I think the lot in question was fairly representative of my collection. The books in which they were mounted was given to me as a Christmas present by a Japanese friend several years ago and I thought I could not [illegible] you with the rubbings aforesaid. These books are usually made to order, as they are comparatively expensive on account of the extra good quality paper out of which they are made. No sizes [illegible] made and I will have a look round to see if I can find some suitable and not too expensive.

I do not know if I have requested you to pay my dues to the A.N.A and the A.N.S., if you have not already done so, that is to say, as soon as you have any funds for this purpose. Thanks in advance.

Howland Wood Esq. No. 2.

Thanks for the returned Japanese decoration. When the man that buys these for the family returns from Europe and if you think it convenient, we might send other Screen decorations, but will do nothing in the matter until I hear from you in this respect.

Thanks for the application form and other printed literature regarding the Panama Pacific Exhibition at San Francisco next year. It has taken off somewhat the interest which I had in exhibiting their notification that the Exhibition is purely contemporary and your informing me that you do not know whether you will be able to get there or not. I think that under the circumstances I will have to give up the idea of exhibiting, but it is yet too far distant to be able to make any plans as regards my getting there or not. Things are too uncertain for the present to decide so far in advance.

The seeds for the sun flowers for the gardner of that bulding will be sent when I next forward anything.

Your subscription to the Numismatic and Philatelic Journal of Japan has been entered for 1914 and many thanks for this.

I am sorry to say that Mrs. Ramsden continues unwell. Mental diseases are hard to cure and doctors do not seem to have made much headway in their treatment. Thanks for your kind wishes.

I am glad to hear indeed that your present job is congenial. As regards the other news which you give me about the Society and probable intentions, I refer you to another letter herewith attached which will go fully into this matter.

Thanks for bucking up the United States Coin Co. They do not seem to have taken much trouble over any of our affairs. It is true that it leaves them but little profit, but on the other hand if they engaged to act as our Agents they ought to do something or say so, but not neglect us entirely as they appear to be doing. I do not even think they read our letters- perhaps it is too much trouble. That is why we are selling all our coins and other goods with them and perhaps we can do better with them from here than having them lying idle over there. Do not take too much pains over them in our affairs, as it is difficult to drive an unwilling horse. What they told you about the exhibiting of the Journal at the Philatelic Exhibition in your city last year, was all humbug that it would require many copies and a large expenditure to do this. I see that most philatelic papers exhibited and secured medals. You will notice by the enclosed slips that it did not require many copies either, or even a large display to have done this, as both the "Philatelic Journal of America" and the "Philadelphia Stamp News" had but a very poor show. Some foreign papers also, including the spanish paper "El Eco Postal" were rewarded with a medal for exhibiting but a single number of former issues!

I am returning you the slip with your enquiries about the hansatsu. You will see that they are the same dog with a different collar.

Within a few days I am writing to you again as there are one or two offers which we think might interest our Society and will submit them to you before sending the things themselves.

From Sally I have had news lately. He continues academically interested.

Yours sincerely,

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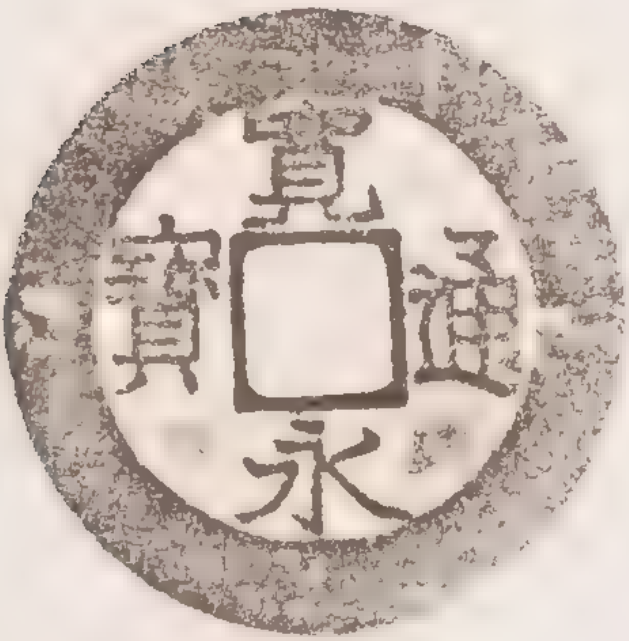

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Yokohama, 1st May, 1914.

Howland Wood Esq.,
American Numismatic Society,
156th Street, West of Broadway,
New York City, N.Y.

Dear Sir:-

We have several matters to communicate to you and which will be attended to in separate letters, the object of the present will only be to treat on two Kwan Ei sen which we have managed to procure for you.

They both belong to the Kamune (輕米) village series and consist of the Morioka Tane sen being counterstamped with the character Kome (米) or "rice", sometimes pronounced "M", and which it was used for this village which name ended in this termination.

You will not find this mark in the list of commemorative temple countermarks which we made up for you in the summer of 1911, as used in Kai province, as the present mark has a perfectly different purpose.

It appears that these coins were counterstamped for use locally at the village mentioned, in Akita province, only on the Morioka Kwan ei large tanes, that is to say on the issue with the character "Mori" (盛) on the back and the one without, both of them with wave reverses.

The date of issue was probably Man-Yen period, which was the date when the tanes in question were minted.

The Kwan Ei Kenkiu Kai Dzasshi is the only work that deals on them and mentions these two as of great rarity. The book referred to, you will probably recognize as the official organ of a society formed for the express purpose of studying of Kwan Ei sen, and which existed in Meiji 35 or thereabouts. The book contained not only uchigatas, but also printed text on most coins. Dr. Imamoto and friend Mikami were the principal workers.

We procured two specimens without the Mori on reverse, one of which is sent to you and the other to Dr. Reilly. Only one was procured with Mori on reverse and this is being sent to you.

We have again to write to you very soon about other matters.

Yours faithfully,

Jun KOBAYAGAWA CO.,
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Yokohama, 12th May, 1914.

Howland Wood Esq.,
American Numismatic Society,
156th Street, West of Broadway,
New York City, N.Y.

My dear Wood:-

It is now some time since I heard from you, but you are no doubt very busy with the series of exhibitions I see you have been holding during the winter.

I have heard also nothing from the United States Coin Company this year. They seem to have entirely forgotten our existence. The Yokohama Numismatic Society are pressing us for the statement of account of the JOURNAL with them for last year, but they seem to ignore completely all our letters. All other Agencies have sent in their statements, but the United States Coin Co., seem to be the only ones who do not take the slightest trouble over the matter. It is most unsatisfactory all round, as we get the blame from the Yokohama Numismatic Society, while we are helpless in the matter. They advise us to withdraw our Agency from them, but as you recomended this party to me, I ask you what is best to be done in this matter.

We have just received from China a most interesting collection of original seals for impressing on Chinese Bank Notes. To these we have added those which I had procured previously and which have already been described in the JOURNAL during various issues. The complete lot now ascends to some 47 different pieces, some in brass (marked B), some in horn (marked H) and some in wood (marked W), as per sheet of rubbings which I enclose. The lot is of such interest and importance that I think the collection as a whole ought to find a final resting place in some museum or other public institution, as it would be a pity to break it up and have the pieces dispersed after such a time and patience has been spent in getting them together. I do not know if your Society would like me to send them on for their inspection with a view to purchase, when I would do so with pleasure. Should you think it would not suit them, please do not mention that we have offered same to you, as it would spoil our chances in any other direction if it was known that the first offer had already been made to you. The price is $ 75.00 for the entire collection. I could supply notes for the description of most pieces in case it was required to write up about them, the same as I did in the JOURNAL with a few of them or I could write up about them myself in the JOURNAL if they did/have any objection to this. An early reply, or at least as early as/you think convenient, will oblige.

Howland Wood Esq. No. 2.

Under the same cover as the last number of the JOURNAL, corresponding to April, I also included a copy of a monograph published in Spanish on my collection of Far Eastern coins when I was in Barcelona, Spain, some twelve years ago. I thought it might prove of interest to give it to the Hispanic American Society, which I believe is next door to you. If you are also of opinion that they might like to have it, please do the needful with it.

I have been very busy of late getting ready the next three numbers of Manuals of Far Eastern Numismatics, but before they are printed, I have to see through the press another small monograph on the Shell Currency in China, which I hope will be ready within a month.

I am also seriously thinking of limiting the JOURNAL so as only to include numismatics of these countries, under the new title of JOURNAL OF FAR EASTERN NUMISMATICS. The stmp section I can not attend to it properly and the parties who promised to see to this part, have failed to come up to scratch. I can not devote much time to Philately, so that this is one of the reasons why I shall sooner or later have to give up including philately among its subjects.

I hope next time to send along to you a small representative collection of the older Corean Copper Coins. We bought quite a find a short while ago and have some nice specimens on hand. One of the Chap[illegible] at Philadelphia, [illegible], formed [illegible] collection of Corean Coinages for one of his customers who wished to present it to the Numismatic Society there (these are his very words) and as I am preparing it for him, I thought that you would also like to see a small representative lot of the older issues, in order to arouse interest in them.

Is your society interested in Chinese numismatic books printed in the vernacular and have they any in their library? We have now got a few from China, of the less common works and perhaps you would like a list with prices.

You will have noticed that they are talking of a new general coin issue for China, but so far nothing has appeared further than in print. In the meanwhile interesting specimens are always arriving from that country of surprises. You will see that I chronicle as many new issues as come within my reach.

It is now some time since I heard either from friends Robinson or Reilly- in fact there is quite a dearth of numismatic news from your side.

Yours sincerely,

H. H. Kann

P.S. Do you know if Mr. H. Montgomery wishes to continue his subscription to the Journal, as last years fee was not through yet?

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Yokohama, 20th May, 1914.

Howland Wood Esq.,
c/o American Numismatic Society,
156th Street, West of Broadway,
New York City, N.Y.

My dear Wood:-

Although I have none of yours to refer to, I am writing today as I have several matters to communicate to you.

Mr. A.A.Leve, of Syracuse, N.Y., has asked us to send him some Chinese bank notes on approval. We have done so, as we believe this party to be responsible in every way. We have told him to remit to you for those which he keeps and to return to us direct here those which he does not want. We enclose invoices so that you may know prices. Perhaps if you do not hear from him within a reasonable time you may enquire about them and what he has done in the matter.

The collection of Corean Coins asked for by Mr. S.H.Chapman, of Philadelphia, has been sent on to him, with the request that he makes settlement with you. I send you the Invoice so that you may know its amount.

I am also sending you a strong collection of the ancient Corean issues, about which I mentioned to you in my last letter of 12th inst. If neither you nor the Society require it, please return here direct to us. A description of each individual coin, as well as rubbings and other particulars, is sent you under separate cover, as printed matter, registered.

The sun flower seeds go in the same packet as the coins. This is the first opportunity I have had of sending them, as for a long time we have sent you nothing.

I may get a letter from you tomorrow, as a large mail is due then. Anyhow I will write again within a few days.

Yours sincerely,

H.A.Ramsden

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Howland Wood Esq.,
American Numismatic Society,
156th Street, West of Broadway,
New York City, N.Y.

My dear Wood :-

I have before me your letter of May 7th and to which I now refer.

Thanks for the promise to check up our coins in the possession of the United States Coin Co and that you had arranged with Raymond to get them ready for this purpose. We have not yet heard anything from the United States Coin Co. regarding the affairs of the JOURNAL. They have not yet remitted for a single subscription, either for last year or for this, notwithstanding that it is supposed to be paid in advance. Neither have we been able to get any statement from them as to the retail copies sent to them and in the meantime our books have to be kept open for last year until this data is received. . Anyhow it is no good talking any more about it as we have left everything pending until we can get to hear from you in this connection, as per my previous letters.

We received last year the subscription from the American Numismatic Society from the United States Coin Co., but no payment so far. For this reason we have renewed no subscriptions from them until we can get settlement from them for last years' subscriptions and decided, following instructions from the Yokohama Numismatic Society, not to send any further numbers of the Journal until the subscriptions are paid in advance. That is why we discontinued the subscription of the American Numismatic Society, but as you have now given us instructions to renew same, all back numbers will be sent and future issues posted as soon as out. I go to some length to explain this, as the position with Jun Kobayagawa Co and the Yokohama Numismatic Society is not the same as if it was our own business. The Yokohama Numismatic Society do not care much if the subscription list is a big one or not, but they do not wish much bother in this matter, as it was never begun as a financial concern.

or intended

Howland Wood Esq. No. 2.

I have while taken note of the various payments and receipts that you mention and thanking you for attending to these matters, I can only repeat my indebtedness to you, more so specially now since you seem to be always busy and appreciate your kindness in devoting so much time to our affairs.

The corrected account of Mekeel's is in due order, as we made a mistake in the invoice. Thanks for the payments of my dues to the A.Na. and A.N.S., as well as Eugene Klein's bill for the Scott Catalogues.

As regards Mekeel's further request for $ 40.00, we have already remitted them from here, so that there will be no need to trouble you again in this matter.

The counterfoils arrived in due course. I am glad you returned them so promptly as they just came in time for another party in Europe whom we were able to satisfy, as we had already disposed of the others and had then none left.

You are right, Reilly has by now some nice things. When the Ro collection was sent to your country, it was certainly the largest collection known abroad, but since then Reilly has been getting quite a lot of nice things and the result is that it beats the Ro collection by now. He goes the right way about it, spending about $ 750.00 per year and he is now seeing his policy bearing fruit. This will show what perseverance and constancy can do and he can now boast, not only of the largest collection of Far Eastern coins outside of the Far East, but also of many pieces which are only to be found in his collection or mine, without even excepting collections in Japan or China itself.

Robinson will also have a good collection in time as he also seems interested in Far Eastern coins. Collections can only be made by those who are really interested and without this element, nothing really of any great importance will be reached.

With all these exhibitions you must be rather busy. I am sorry I am not with you to give you a helping hand. I find that single handed is not productive of the best work, as without encouragement of the right sort, one soon tires of doing things unaided.

Without any further for today except to repeat my thanks and indebtedness to you, believe me,

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For the settlement of this invoice, may we request of you to be kind enough to remit to

Mr. Howland Wood,
c/o American Numismatic Society,
156th Street, West of Broadway,
New York City, N.Y.

Paid Sept 17 1914

to whom we are writing to this effect.

Please do not misunderstand us and think that we object to your way of doing business. On the contrary, we would always appreciate your patronage only as your former order was not a firm order, we wished to have it confirmed and obviate any further misunderstanding as we had on your previous order when you countermanded same before it was executed and we were consequently the losers since we had already prepared the special packets and ordered the special envelopes which were exclusively for your order.

Hoping we may be favoured with your repeated commands and that the above stamps prove to your entire satisfaction, we remain, with repeated thanks,

Yours faithfully,

JUN KOBAYAGAWA CO.,
per

July 15, 1915.

Mr. H. A. Saurier
Yokohama,
Japan.

My dear Mr. Saurier:-

It is sometime since I have written you but I will now endeavor to make up for lost time.

I am sending you herewith a check for $58.46, as per the enclosed memorandum. I think you can check this up without difficulty. Mr. Robinson writes me that he sent early in May, $34.00 either to you or I. I have not received it and he is trying to trace the check. I am telling you this so you will understand why he has not paid this money. As yet I have not heard from E. H. Chapman. Mr. A. A. Love wrote me that he has been away so much during the past month that he has not had the time to look over the paper money you sent him, but will remit shortly. I have got the following statement for the Journal and other publications from the United States Coin Co. As yet they have turned nothing over to me except this money, which I asked them to settle up so that you could straighten out your accounts with the Society of Japan. They claim they have given you the names of the persons subscribing for the Journal.

I have before me your letter of May 1st. You will note I am keeping the two Kwan Sis and am very glad to have them. The seals or impressions of Chinese Bank Notes will not interest the Society and I am returning the rubbings to you in case you want to use them again. The monograph published in Spanish, I have turned over to our own Society as we stick closer than they do to anything pertaining to numismatics. I think an acknowledgement has been sent you. The Corian copper coins that you sent, the Society will keep, but as everybody is away on their vacations, I will not be able to remit to you at this writing. Our library here has a number of Chinese books printed in Vailaclai, but as the library's appropriation is very small, all of the funds at its disposal go towards books that are absolutely necessary, and I don't think it

would be policy to buy any Chinese books until we have more money at our disposal.

As you may have heard, there was a very large fire in Salem which burnt out a quarter of the city. Fortunately none of the historical land marks were destroyed. Mr. Robinson's home and collection at the Essex Institute were not destroyed.

You will note that Mr. Montgomery has renewed his subscription to the Journal. I think after this it would be better for you to send him a bill direct.

The other day the Society received the five Journals for 1914. I note that as yet, I myself, have not received the fifth number. This may come along any day, if it does not I will write you again in my next letter.

This summer I have been very busy preparing a book on the ideals of Abraham Lincoln. This has kept me very much tied down. I want to thank you for the sunflower seeds. These are coming up in great shape in a little garden along side of the Society's building.

I beg to remain.

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The amount of the invoice is .....$ 12.17,

but to which must be added the express charges, or parcel post fees, as well as C.O.D. dues, but which we do not know to what they amount, although probably this is not very great.

We are sending you, as requested, other wholesale lists and hope that you will find among them something of interest.

With repeated thanks,

we remain,

Yours faithfully,

JUN KOBAYAGAWA CO.,
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Yokohama, 30th July, 1914.

Howland Wood Esq.,
c/o American Numismatic Society,
156th Street, West of Broadway,
New York City, N.Y.

My dear Wood:-

It is now some time since I heard from you, but probably you have been as busy as I have and have had but little time for correspondence.

I have taken the liberty today to send you a small packet, by registered parcels post, with the request that you forward same to Mr. Victor Marguinti of your city, C.O.D for $ 12.17, plus any other additional charges you may have over there. I enclose copy of letter and invoice, so that you may be au courant. It is not necessary to return these documents, as they are but duplicates.

I have written a postcard to Mr. Max Mehl, as per copy enclosed, telling him to remit to you for an outstanding account. If you do not hear from him in due course, you might drop him a card as reminder.

I have also told the Marks Stamp Co., of Canada, to remit to you $ 4.45, as per letter which I enclose, together with copy of invoice, for your guidance. None of these documents, or those referring to Max Mehl need be returned here, as I have other copies.

I am preparing an article on those copper, aluminium and nickel tokens used by private commercial companies in North Borneo, Java, etc., and enclose rubbings of some to give you an idea what class I mean. Could you help me in any manner, such as, when and where were they made, their purpose, and how many different kinds have you seen? Any other useful data about them would be appreciated.

I am preparing also a series of articles on Chinese Turkestan copper issues, including all type varieties known, etc. Would you perhaps like to undertake the SILVER section of these coins and we could join them together and make up the complete section. Any information also you could give me about these would be welcomed.

How are the U.S.Coin Co., as I have not heard from them now for over a year?

I am afraid Mrs. Ramsden's case is not very hopeful, as it is now one year since she was taken with this head trouble. I hope you and yours are all well.

In haste, yours sincerely,

H.A. Ramsden.

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To .....

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Copy of postcard sent to

B. Max Mehl Esq.,
P.O.Drawer 976,
Fort Worth Texas.

Yokohama, 31st July, 1914.

Dear Sir:-

We beg to remind you that our invoice of February 5th, for coins amounting to .....$ 15.27 and which were ordered by you on 10th January, 1914, still remains outstanding.

May we request of you to remit settlement for same to Mr. Howland Wood, c/o American Numismatic Society, 156th Street, West of Broadway, to whom we are advising to this effect.

Yours faithfully,
JUN KOBAYAGAWA CO

August 9, 1914.

Mr. H. A. Ramsden
Yoklanawa,
Japan.

My dear Ramsden:-

Your last number of the Journal at hand describing the coins of Battontong. I am sending you herewith notes and rubbings of further coins. Also a letter from Mr. Salles of Paris, France, which please return to me. I am sending you this letter to show you that most of my information comes direct-from him.

I think you would have given a clearer conception of the pieces if you had not cut such heavy black borders around the edges of your coins. On your rubbing sheet, my coins number 1, 2 and 3, show slight varities from your coins illustrated by your cuts 1, 2 and 3. These seem to be of base silver rather than copper silver plated, and nothing more need be said about them. My numbers 4 and 5 are varities you have not mentioned. The figure seems to be a pretty good looking rooster. The piece is fairly base silver and is blank on the reverse. My coin number 6, which is your coins 6 to 11, I have only seen in copper, or base copper, silver washed. Some of my pieces apparently are copper without any silvering, though possibly this one had it.

Now refer to Salles letter. He alludes to this coin as figure 16, which was the number which I gave it when I published the coins of Siam in the American Journal of Numismatics in 1904. This coin has been attributed to Cambodier as well as Battentong, and was current in the 17th century, because it is figured in volume II of the six voyages of Tivanier. As this is a common coin to-day, I am inclined to think that they have been made since 1800. In fact they are a great deal commoner than my number 1 to 5. In connection with this type, you will note in Salles's letter that he has a coin with bird facing to right, but none refers to my coin 15 which is number 10 on my rubbing sheet, your number 13 to 17. He speaks of one in silver. inAll I have ever seen are base metal silver plated. I have a note that since 1880 these have been struck by European machinery and a marked improvement is noticed. I have never seen any of these that show a machine made coin.

You will note that Mr. Salles illustrates in his letter

your number 12 but then goes on to speak of gold coins. Your coins numbers 18 and 19 he places as Cambodia. Whether he is right in this or not I do not know. He gets his authority from Silvestre. I find however, that I have these coins under Battenberg. Where I got this attribution, which agrees with yours, I do not know.

I am enclosing rubbings 7, 8 and 9 of a larger size. You will note what he has to say regarding this type. I am also enclosing a rubbings of two others that goes with this series, my numbers 11 and 12. Salles, in a subsequent letter says they go with this series, and although he has none himself, he has seen them. What the design is I don't know. It looks like some fruit on the end of a looped stem. Some years ago, some of these coins were advertised in Spinx's circular, assigned to some Island around Singapore. Unfortunately I cannot find my not stating in which number of Spinx these were

Now for coin 13. This is a copper piece and looks very much like a Cambodian coin. I am enclosing a letter from Salles dated April 15, 1911, in which he assigns it to Battenberg with some show of authority. With this letter he encloses a letter from a Cambodian friend of his substantiating his own.

Trusting these notes will give you further information, I remain

Very truly yours,

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Yokohama, 15th August, 1914.

Howland Wood Esq.,
c/o American Numismatic Society,
156th Street, West of Broadway,
New York City, N.Y.

My dear Wood:-

Many thanks for your kind letter of July 15th, received a few days ago and which I now proceed to answer.

The draft for Yen 106.92, equivalent to $ 53.46, balance of your account, was duly enclosed and for which my gratefulness. This account, as all others of yours, tallies exactly with our books and it is a pleasure to see how you, notwithstanding your numerous duties, can find time to attend to matters which can only but give you trouble, with accuracy and attention as if you were well paid for it.

I have looked through our files and can find no trace of our having received a cheque for $ 24.00 that Mr. Robinson says he sent either to you or to us in May of this year. Perhaps by this time he has been able to trace it.

I see that at last you were able to get a statement from the United States Coin Co. The details are allright as far as the books go, but it is unfortunate that they lumped the entire number of copies of the Journal sold, without giving any details as to which these copies were. In this condition, that is in a lump number without stating which issues they were, we are as helpless as we were before, and until we can get these details, the books of the Yokohama Numismatic Society must remain open.

As regards the subscriptions, four of which have been credited, we are not very certain about this, as some of them were begun in the middle of a year. From their letters to us and as far as our books show, the followings are the subscribers received through them:-

Bauman L. Belden, for the year 1913, Vols. I and II
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E.G.Davies, begun Vol. II, No. 4, will end Vol. IV, No. 3.

Subscriptions are all paid in advance, but no remittance was sent when they were booked and none will be renewed unless we hear from the interested parties in future unless paid in advance.

There is an item which has been left out of their account and to which we would like to call their attention. On December 10th of last year we sent through the United States Coin Co and for collection by them, to the Metropolitan Stamp Co., of that same city, stamps to the value of $ 6.25 United States Currency. We believe that they were duly delivered and collected, but do not find this amount to the credit of our account, neither have we received direct from either parties any remittance in settlement of same.

Both the Yokohama Numismatic society and ourselves have come to the conclusion that it would be preferable to close all our accounts with the United States Coin Co. As it was through your kindness and good offices that our relations with them werefirst established, we are again soliciting your aid so as to close up our standing accounts with themand would be again grateful if you would manage this for us. Would you mind receiving from them all coins, books, numbers of the Journal, paper money and or any other things they may have for sale for our accountas well as receiving any balance due to us for what is owing to us. For this purpose we enclose a letter for them, should such be necessary.

All the coins, paper money, medals, etc., please send to us here by parcels post, declaring each package at a nominal value of a few yen. We hope that you will be able to despatch them so as they reach us here before the end of the year, to be in time for the winter season. We have already orders for some of them and must await until they reach us, as our stock of some of them here has already become exhausted.

As regards the books and all the numbers of the Journal, please retain them all there until we can make arrangements for some other party in your country to take up our Agency. What we would like is a detailed list of them, specially of the numbers of the Journal, which are included.

I know I am giving you a lot of trouble without any compensation or remuneration whatever for the time and work which this will entail, but I shall await until an opportunity arises before trying to repay you, even in part, all that I owe you already, which is considerable.

The subscription to the Journalfor Mr. Montgomerry has been noted and all future numbers will be sent on to him. Does this subscription mean for the entire year of 1914 and if so please let us know so as to send him all back numbers. } See later

I have still another copy of the monograph published in Spanish on my coin collection and can send it on to you for the Hispanic Society since you say that you had kept the one I previously sent.

I note that the Corean Copper coins the Society will keep and that you would remit later. Thanks for having kept them.

I note what you say about the Chinese books and the seals for impressing on Chinese bank notes. These latter I will make use of in the Journal before offering them elsewhere, as when written up they are more interesting and their value increases.

Mr. A.A.Leve has returned the paper money we sent him, after keeping some to the value of $ 1.60, which he has remitted to us. I suppose he was ashamed to remit to you such a small amount and that is why he sent direct to us.

On looking again over your letter, I think that Mr. Montgomerry's subscription is intended to begin where we left off sending to him, that is from the beginning of this year, so that we will send all back numbers to him without waiting to hear from you in this respect. Is he a numismatist, or a philatelist?

Nos. 2085 2086. I note that among some coins I received from China a few days ago that there are two coins from different dies than those you have in your collection. I am consequently sending them on to you, which I hope you will accept with my compliments. They are worth little, but they may be acceptable as new additions to your lot.

I am enclosing a rubbing of a coin I have just received from Chinese Turkestan and which I would like you to read for me. I do not remember now where I once read that in those regions thick lumpy copper coins were used prior to the introduction of the Chinese issues we know about and as the copper is the same in both, it has ocurred to me that these were the coins mentioned and which metal was recast for the regular Chinese issues. For the moment I can not find where I read this, but perhaps you can help me out of the difficulty.

I am glad the sun flower seeds turned out satisfactory. Should you ever want any others of this or other flowers from this country, please let me know.

With the great European war, at least in the stamp line, I will be allowed more time as that section of my business will fall off considerably. I will make use of this extra time to get more Manuals of Far Eastern Numismatics ready and other books which I have on the way, and thus do something of use during these days when little or no business can be done with Europe.

I am also thinking to give up the philatelic section of the Journal and dedicate it solely to numismatics, in which case it would be called "The Journal of Far Eastern Numismatics", as several Japanese publications have been started of late dealing with stamps and the Journal is now no longer needed for this purpose. In such an event and if I leave Japan, it would be published quarterly, but would continue it monthly in case I remained in this country. This will indicate to you that my movements after next year will be uncertain, as I may have to make new plans for the future.

I think this is all for today. With repeated thanks,

yours sincerely,

Hackmann

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New York City, N.Y.

My dear Wood:-

I wrote to you only a few days ago answering your last letter, so I have nothing on this occasion to refer to.

I am enclosing a set of the Kure Arsenal Private Paper Money Notes, which you or the society might wish to add to the Japanese Hansatsu collection. These notes you will find described in the JOURNAL, Vol. IV, No. 1, July issue, so that I have nothing further to add here. We procured five complete sets and these have been sent to those who we know also collect Japanese Paper Currency.

Elmer S. Sears of Swansea, Mass., wrote to us for some porcelain tokens of Siam and we have sent him some as per enclosed invoice, telling him to remit the amount to you, say $ 3.22 United States Currency. We tell you this in case you receive this sum from him and do not know what it is for. I thought that he was in together with the United States Coin Co., and why does he write on his own hook, as appears to me to be the case.?

I read with interest the reference to the Cowries in the August "Numismatist" which reached me this morning. I am preparing for the British Museum, as well as other museums, a set of these currencies, comprising two or three examples of the original shells, showing the various manners of making the apertures, several representatives in horn, showing the different materials and one of copper, of extreme rarity. I have still one set over and it has occurred to me that perhaps that society would also like me to reserve it for them, so please let me know about this, as this is the last unengaged specimen in copper that we have. My book on this subject is in the press and I hope to be able to get it out soon. It tries to exhaust the subject and I have studied up the matter as much as possible to turn out something good.

I am waiting to hear what you have to tell me about the private company tokens of the East India Archipelago, about which I asked you in my last. I think they must have been struck in Europe, suggesting Holland and I am looking forward to what you have to say about them.

Yours faithfully,

H A Ramsden

Coins belonging to Jun Kobayagawa, Yokahoma, Japan, turned over to The U. S. Coin Co., New York City, by Howland Wood, October 1912 and returned to H. Wood, September 1914.

Invoice August 17, 1910. F. C. Higgins.

1079	Round foot Ku Pu	1.65
1092	Chih Ta Mongolian Characters	1.35
~~467K~~	~~Bell Money. Broken. Not returned.~~	1.75
1098	Charm Tablet	2.55

Invoice August 17, 1910. St. Louis Stamp & Coin Co.

~~457 - 459 - 461 -~~	462 - 465 - 466. 6 Bells @ $1.30. Broken. Not returned.	7.80
1081 - 1082 - 1085 - 1085.4	Bridge Money @ $2.20	8.80
1098 - 1100 - 1102 - 1103,	4 Ghosts heads @ $.70	2.80
1127 - 1131 - 1133 - 1135,	4 Wang Mang Ku Pu's @ $.70	2.80
1107 - 1115 inc.	9 round Shing Ning @ $.12	1.08
1016 - 1019 inc. 1021 - 1024 inc.	8 Shing Ning Seal characters @ $.12	.96

Invoice December 27, 1910. F. T. Kieffer.

Sold 1174	Small Wu Chu. Sold.	1.25
1175	Smallest Wu Chu.	1.50

Invoice December 27, 1910. N. Vreeland.

Sold 1162	Diminutive Pan Liang. Sold.	2.25
" 1163	Smallest Wu Chu. Sold.	1.50
1164	Small Wu Chu	1.25
Sold 1165	Wang Mang Small coin worth one. Sold.	.65

Invoice February 14, 1911. F. T. Kieffer.

551K	Broad Bell Money	4.50
617K	Very large arrow head money	6.00

Invoice April 18, 1911. Wayte Raymond.

1258	Kan Tan Knife	3.50
1345	Kan Tan Knife	3.00
874	Bridge Money	2.50
1284	Medium Pointed Knife	3.25
1342	Medium Pointed Knife	3.25
~~612K~~	~~Bell. Broken. Not returned.~~	1.00

Invoice August 1, 1911. F. T. Kieffer.

1378	Temple Zodiac Charm	3.50
1380	Temple Zodiac Charm	4.50

September 4th, 1914.

Dr. H. A. Ramsden,
P. O. Box 214,
Yokohama, Japan.

Dear Ramsden:-

Your letter of July 30th came to hand just before I went to the A. N. A. Convention. There, I saw Mehl and he paid me the money owing you.

As yet I have not hear from Victor Marguisti, though I have informed him that the stamps were here. These stamps only came day before yesterday.

The Marks Stamp Company have not, as yet, communicated with me.

I am writing you now to answer your inquiry about the tokens used by private commercial companies in North Borneo, Java, &c. I know next to nothing about these, although I have a few. I have never taken much stock in them for all that I have seen are proofs, great quantities of which came to this country some years ago from Birmingham with pattern coins for Liberia, South Aftica and other countries. A number of these are catalogued in The Sale Catalogue of John W. Stephanik Collection. Fred. Muller & Cie. Amsterdam. December 1904. Page 185. Also in
Catalogus de Numismatische Verzameling van het Bataviaasch Genootschap van Kunsten Wetenschappen Door Mr. I. A. Van der Chijs. 1896.
And if I remember rightly a number in silver were sold by Schulman in one of his sales. You presumably have Schulman's sale catalogues. If by any chance you do not have either the Stephanik or the Batavian Museum catalogue that I have mentioned about, I will copy off what they contain. I am herewith making a note of what pieces I have, not contained in the past two catalogues. Some you will note differ only in metal. In passing I will state that I have seen but one of these tokens that has shown any signs of being in circulation.

Sumatra Tobacco Co.	Ondernemingi Kisaran	Tandjong - Kuba
100 copper	Deli	H. Siber.
20 "	Sumatra $1 Copper.	Sumatra O. K. 100 brass
		Same 50 tin
Labuk Planting Co. Limited	Labuk British North Borneo	
100 copper	100 copper	
50 "	50 "	
20 "	20 "	

Somewheres I have seen a long list of small lead pieces used by the states of Java and Sumatra for the same purpose, probably a number of years ago. I have six or seven of these pieces that were said to have come from there. They simply have crude marks or designs on them.

I have been trying to get Wayte Raymond to close up your affairs, but have not succeeded as yet.

I will write you again shortly as regards the Turkistan silver coins.

While I have been dictating, this letter your favor of August 12th just came in, and I will reply to this later.

I have at last made an appointment with Wayte Raymond to clear up all of the matters that are hanging, so you should get some statement from me in a week or so.

I remain,

Very truly,

September 9th, 1914.

Mr. H. A. Ramsden,
P. O. Box 214,
Yokahoma, Japan.

My dear Ramsden:-

I have been down all morning at the United States Coin Company, and have checked up all of their coins, and brought many of them up here. They have sold next to nothing. Owing to the absence of their stenographer, they could not give me to-day an exact account of the Journals sold, but will do so and turn what they have over to us next week, and I will write you immediately.

I am sending you, by parcel post, some of the coins. You will note that this invoice takes in all of the coins that have not been sold of the invoices, I turned over to the U. S. Coin Co. in 1913.

You will note there are eight rolls not counted for. These were all badly broken, and you wrote the U. S. Coin Co. to throw them away.

The stamps to the Metropolitan Stamp Co. are returned herewith, as they refused to take them.

In this same package I am returning three of the medals you sent the U. S. Coin Co. on November 10th, 1913, as I had room to put them in this package.

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I am hoping to get more packages off to you in a few days.

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My dear Ramsden:-

Several of your favors at hand, some of which I have partly answered and all I can do at this writing is to still partly answer them.

I am sending you herewith a draft on the Yokahoma Specie Bank for 285 Yen and 36 Sen, which pays for everything up to date, as you will note by the accompanying statement.

Sears has just paid me the $3.22 that you requested him to pay, but as I already had the draft drawn, I will remit this the next time. Sears, by the way is good for any amount you are inclined to send him. He is no longer connected with the United States Coin Company, that is the reason why he has been ordering separatel When this Company started out it was to consist of Sears, Raymond and Mehl. Mehl for some reason or another backed out. Sears kept on till a few months ago. Now Raymond runs it alone, and his credit is good. They certainly did not do very well with your stuff. Their line of customers is pretty nearly confined to U. S. collectors. In looking over what you sent them, I can see where the demand would be very limited. You can sell more modern stuff here than ancient. Ever since the Kingwan sale of some years ago, there has been enough of the ancient coins in dealers hands to supply the wants of the general public. I am running across Kingwan's stuff all of the time I can tell it by the labels.

I am also sending you the schedule of the Journals that have been sold. On September 30th, I mailed you, by parcel post, the balance of the invoice you sent the U. S. Coin Company on November 10th, 1912. I have on hand now two cast trees and the books of paper money. I will first see if I can not sell some of these, and will ship later what is left.

Sometime ago we bought of you several Corean medals and a decoration. This was the Pal Kwai, 8th grade. You published this in Volume I, Number 4 of your Journal. Can you give us any further information, whether it was awarded as a civil or military decoration, and what was it awarded for; what is the ribbon like, and can you supply the ribbon; are the different ranks the same size, but differing only in

the characters, or the higher orders larger, and the highest, plaques ?

Sears, by the way, is anxious for you to send those Siamese pieces on as soon as possible.

I probably will take those Kure Arsenal notes. Will let you know in my next writing.

I would like to get your last remaining set of the cowries, and if you care to send them over I think I can interest some one to buy them for this Society. I am now exhibiting those you sent to Vroeland. If you have any cowries used in China in recent years, I would like to have you include two or three of these also, simply to show specimens of those from China. For many years I have been looking for a specimen with a copper plug inserted. I understand they were used in Siam. Have you ever seen one ? Awhile ago Reilly showed me two or three clay tokens. If these were used for money, I would like one or two specimens.

I want to thank you for the two Turkistan silver coins you sent. I think I have somewheres one of these of a smaller size than any I have ever seen before. When I find it, I will send you a rubbing of it.

I think the Hisoanic Society would appreciate that monograph in Spanish that you mention, and I will see that they get one if you send one over.

The rubbing of the egg shaped copper piece puzzles me. I can not make anything out of it. The characters do not seem to be Turkishtan or Tibetan. One side certainly has the representation of a shell or some other object on it. Like you, I have read somewhere about small copper coins being used in that region either in the Turkishtan or north eastern Tibet, but have not been able to locate where I read this.

I will answer more fully some of your letters in a short time.

Very truly.

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My dear Wood:-

Many thanks for your two kind letters of August 9th and September 4th and which I now proceed to answer.

The information about the Battambang coins will certainly be made use of for the Journal at some future number. Would it be permissible to publish the letters in extenso or to extract the information and not use the exact words. I return you the letters from Salles and his Siamese friend, having taken copies of them.

The above second letter of yours contains also particulars about Company tokens of the Malay Archipelago. I think it best to send you drawings of those which I have already got, which I now do so, numbering some 43 different kinds, although some of them are in different metals. I have not got either the Catalogue of the Stephanik collection or Van der Chij's work. I do not think it would be necessary to copy all that they say about these coins - if you only extract those which are not down in my list, will be sufficient. I think I forgot to tell you that I shall limit this article to include only those pieces which have Chinese inscriptions, as I believe there are some which have none. Like you, I have only seen one of these which appeared to have been used, all the others are mint condition.

Thanks for having collected from Mehl the small amount that was due to us. He also wrote to us direct saying that he had settled with you this account.

You tell me that you have heard nothing from Victor Marguinti about the stamps we sent for him through you. We do not know this party and that is why we did not send him the stamps direct.

If you have not yet heard from the Marks Stamp Company, of Toronto, Canada, it would be well to send them a reminder as we ourselves have heard nothing from them so far.

Thanks for the promise to attend to the outstanding affairs with Wayte Raymond. We shall be glad to close up these accounts which have now remained pending for so long.

Howland Wood. No. 2.

My hearty congratulations on the addition to your family- this was the first news of this event. I hope she will grow up to be a joy and support to you in your old age. It is just such links as these that enlighten our worries and give an incentive to life. My two little ones, a boy and a girl, have made me support with more resignation the cares and worries attending Mrs. Ramsden's illness and if it was not for them, I have little pleasure in this life. I am afraid that my wife will never regain her health and although I still have hopes of some improvement, her mental condition will be such as to always prey upon me.

This answers both your letters.

Mekeel's will also send you $ 7.79 in settlement of the enclosed Invoice. Please receive same when remitted.

A.A.Leve has again asked us to send him the same Chinese Bank Notes a second time on approval, as he only retained a few cents from our previous consignment. We enclose Invoice in case he remits to you for those he keeps.

I am sending you four Kwan Eis which you might wish to add to your collection. Please place them to the credit of my account with you and which shows such a huge debit on the side of favours received. The one doubly cast is interesting and rare.

Notwithstanding the war I am quite busy. Ofcourse there is little business, but I am preparing for when peace again rules the world, but God only knows when this will be.

Whenever you see Reilly, please work up his enthusiasm in Far Eastern coins. I have not heard from him for quite a while, but we are continuing to send him things. He will in a short while have one of the best collections as even now it is a splendid witness to what perseverance and interest can accomplish.

From Robinson I have heard lately. He is still interested, but I think other things have a prior call on his energy if not on his purse.

Again thanking you, I remain,

sincerely yours,

H.A.Ramsden

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WILLARD O. WYLIE, MGR.

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Yokohama, 7th November, 1914.

Howland Wood Esq.,
American Numismatic Society,
156th Street, West of Broadway,
New York City. N.Y.

My dear Wood:-

I have before me your letters and notes of September 9th, 17th and October 2nd, in answer to several of mine and which now occupy my attention.

The various packages of coins returned I believe have already arrived, as I have had news from the Post Office that the Custom House are claiming payment on them. I have protested against these duties, which are considerable, on the ground that they are coins which have already once paid duty and are being returned here. I am afraid in the long run that I will get the worst of it and have to pay duty on them, but I suppose it can not be helped and must put this down to the loss account.

But first let me thank you for all the trouble, time and patience which you must have employed in connection with this. I am nevertheless very glad that these various accounts should now be closed as the U.S.Coin Company were evidently not the right parties to handle such stuff, neither was the stuff the most appropriate to be sold by any one not knowing anything about them.

I have glanced over the various accounts and find that everything appears correct. Like everything else which you undertake, it has been accomplished with every care and trouble and it just shows how painstaking you must be with everything.

I note that the six bells are not included in your list, which is as it should be, as we wrote to the U.S.Coin Co. that they might throw them away as they were badly broken and useless.

I see in your list you mention a Kung money, No. 20581, but was not this the piece that I presented, through you, to the American Numismatic society together with one of the Wang Mang Knife coins ?

The paper money, on which no duty was leviable, duly arrived and in conformity.

As soon as I get the boxes from the Custom House, with or without

the payment of duties, they will be checked with your lists, but I can almost state beforehand that everything will be found in order, as I know how careful you always are. The lists themselves have been compared with our books and appear correct in every detail with the exception of the above Kung piece.

The Journals we have not yet checked and will do so within a few days. If there is anything different with our books, we will let you know, otherwise nothing further will be said about them. Please keep all those you have over there for the time being. We will probably appoint some new agent, perhaps Mehl, as he seems an active person and moreover no doubt has a big mailing list and subscribers to his "Numismatic Monthly", who would perhaps be interested as well in our Journal.

Please keep also over there all books and pamphlets you may have belonging to us, as per lists supplied by you, until we can dispose what is to be done with them.

The two cast trees of coins, as they are somewhat bulky, it would also be well if you would keep over there until some customer is found for them. Anyhow, please do not return them here until we advise you to this effect, as we are tired of having to pay duty on coins returned.

As regards the Hansatsu Albums, keep them as long as you like. They can probably be got rid of slowly and without much difficulty, as they sell readily as a rule.

We notice that our invoice of May 20th, for Corean Coins, $ 15.00 does not figure in your accounts. Perhaps you are waiting for some one to purchase these for account of the Society, as I think you told me that you would keep them with this object in view.

Your last letter enclosed a cheque for Yen 285.36, equivalent to Dollars 142.68, as balance of our account up to that date. As these accounts are somewhat extended we will yet take some time to enter and compare them with out books and will let you know in due course if they differ at all with ours, but as fsr as I can see, everything seems to be correct, as usual.

As regards the Corean Pal Kwai decoration, as far as I have been informed, it was awarded both for military and civil services, very much like the Japanese Kiri. The ribbon was light blue with red edges. We can not supply ~~are~~ separate ribbons and have made enquiries but find that they are no longer made. As far as I can make out the 8th and 7th rank were the smallest and of the same size. The 5th and 6th rank, were also of the same size but a little bigger and the others, increasing in proportion by pairs. I can not tell you if the highest orders were plaques. We have only the 5th and 6th ranks in stock, one of each, with ribbon to both, at $ 20.00 each, say Twenty dollars each. The Eigth rank are sometimes met with, but the higher grades are very rare and the two mentioned above are the only ones we have ever seen.

You mention that you would probably take the Kure Arsenal Notes. As they are not very expensive, perhaps you do right in keeping them, as they are somewhat of a curiosity.

Howland Wood Esq. No 3.

The set of Cowries which we had unattached will be retained for you as advised. We are having them mounted in small boxes with various specimens to show the evolution of the Cowry Currency in China. We have also reserved a set for Mr. Robinson and another for Mr. Reilly and as soon as ready, they will all be sent on, as for the present they are not yet ready.

I have never seen or heard of any cowries with a copper plug inserted but I have never resided for any length of time in Siam, where you say they are believed to come from. My book on this subject will soon now be ready.

The clay tokens that Reilly showed you are in this country connected with numismatics, since they are called Ana-ichi sen, or playing tokens with pictures, crests, etc. They are to be found in numismatic books, but have never been used as current money. You probably know them in coppert and bronze, but they are quite rare in clay. As they were not money in the strict sense, I do not send you any.

I will send the pamphlet in spanish for the Hispanic society about my coin collection the next time I am sending you anything flat. You can then hand it in to them direct.

I am surprised what you say about the egg shaped coin, the rubbing of which I sent you. I was under the impression that the inscriptions were in Turki, but I do not see the resemblance to the shell or a shell which you mention. This piece came from Turkestan direction and no doubt was current there. Several years ago I saw two more of them, but was unable to acquire them then and do not now know where they have got to.

I shall be pleased to see the rubbing of the silver Turkestan coin which you mention. I made Reilly a present of one some time ago, has he shown it to you ?

I think I have answered fully all your letters and I will now proceed to other matters.

A customer of ours would like specimen of Wampum peag, can you get any for us ? A small string or amount will do.

Will you please pay Eugene Klein of Philadelphia for six Scott's 1915 Stamp catalogues which we have asked him for, in case he presents you with the account. Thanks in advance.

Can you get for me Del Mar's History of Money in China ?. See Robinson's Cat. No. 61. If any good, two copies would be better.

Could you also get for me C. Woodruff's The Evolution of Modern Numerals from ancient Tally marks - The American Mathematical Monthly, Vol. XVI, Aug-Sep. 1909 ? If it is very expensive please first let me know the price.

We have sent to Elmer S. Sears a Japanese Oban and the Collection of Siamese porcelain tokens he ordered from us and have requested him to remit to you Dollars 53.46 and 55.22, as per invoices enclosed.

Howland Wood Esq. No. 4.

We have added printing to our coin and stamp business, so that our hands are quite full. This meant an increased staff of five persons, but as our printing bill each month was enormous, we can now do our own things much cheaper. Besides the Journal and our books, we have a great deal of advertising printing matter to be done each month, specially in Japanese, as our local mail trade is increasing gradually, so that we have continually to increase our staff. The war has upset matters in Europe but does not appear to have so far done much damage in this country.

I think I told you that I was going to limit my collecting to the ancient coins of China, that is to say to give up the more modern section of Chinese coins. I find I have sufficient as it is and during my life time I shall never be able to even exhaustively deal with those sections in which I now specialize.

You will notice what determination we have adopted as regards the Journal in our last number, which has merged the last three months into one. The members were getting somewhat tired of including philatelic topics, which really is far behind Numismatics, and they have, strictly speaking, very little in common between them.

Do you still collect Kwan Eis? . I have a few for you, which I would like to present to you with my compliments, and will wait a little longer and see if I can add to them.

And this is all for today.

Yours sincerely,

H A Lansdell.

What has happened to friend Higgins of late?

Nov/ 9, 1914.

Mr. H. A. Ramsden

872 Kitagala,

Yokohama.

my dear Ramsden:-

Your letter of Oct. 5th just at hand. You are at liberty to do what you want with those letters relating to the Battan Bang coins, but I would rather not have you use Salles' name. You can simply say a Frenchman who has been a resident of Tongin.

The information from the two catalogues about the Malay tokens, on looking it over carefully I find, will not be of very much value to you as they do not describe the pieces. Nevertheless I am sending you a typewritten copy from the Batavia Museum catalogue as well as transcript of the few pieces that appeared in the Stephanik catalogue. I would advise you to write to the Batavia Museum and perhaps, if they take the trouble, they can give you more information than anybody. I am sending you rubbings of the few pieces I have different from yours.

As far as I know, every one you have asked to pay me have settled with me. Severn Mekoel Wyllaello., paid me the other day. I want to thank you very much for the four Kwan Mis that you sent me. I am very glad to get these. Somebody was telling me the other day that the present Chinese government have discontinued using the modern struck pieces and now only the cast cash are current.

From what Reilly tells me he will not have any spare cash for some time to devote to coins. Loads of people in this country have had their incomes restricted, some by the war, others by poor

business conditions ingeneral for many of our big corporations have cut their dividends.

You wrote me a while ago asking me what I knew about the curious copper coin, possibly Tibet or Turkistan. I have not been able to find out any more except that I ran across a rubbing of it, the note which I am sending you herewith.

I trust by this time you have received various consignments of coins I have sent from the U. S. Coins Co., together with a draft settling up everything to that time of writing.

I am very sorry to hear of Mrs. Ramsden's condition. I can only offer you my sympathy and trust for an eventual improvement.

I remain,

Very truly yours,

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Invoice H. Wood, April 19th, 1912.
No. 1722. Cast tree of Coins $ 13.00, less 15 % com.

Invoice U.S.Coin Co., November 11th, 1912.
No. 30703. Cast tree of Coins.. $ 10.00, less 15 % com.

Invoice U.S.Coin &o., November 12th, 1912.
Nos. 30672, 30674, 30675, Hansatsu books at 1.25 each, less 10 %.
30676, 30678, 30679, Hansatsu books at 4.00 each, less 10 %.

Invoice H.Wood, 20th May, 1914.
A collection of 16 Corean Coins $ 15.00, Nett.

Books and Magazines:
14 copies "Corean Coin Charms" at 1.00, less 20 %
3 copies "Chinese Openwork Charms " @ 1.25 less 20 %
10 copies "Model-Insect Money " @ 38 cents, less 20 %. (Inv. 23rd Nov.14)
"Numismatic and Philatelic Journal of Japan".
Vol. I. No. 1, 6 copies; 2, 11 copies; 3, 11 id ; 4, 10 id; 5, 11 id; 6, 11 id
II. 1, 1 copy; 2, 6 id; 3, 6 id; 4, 6 id; 5, 3 id; 6, 2 id.
III. 1, 3 id; 2, 3 id; 3, 3 id; 4, 3 id; 5, 4 id; 6, 4 id.
at prices which will be mentioned later when complete volumes are made up.

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E & O.E
Yokohama, November 23rd, 1914.

In my invoice of October 21st Wing up accounts for 1912 68 the item reading 2 Corean Charms (pamphlet shows) read 3 Chinese Openwork Charms. I have none of these on hand and have 11 Corean pamphlets.

H. A. RAMSDEN.
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Yokohama, 23rd November, 1914.

Howland Wood Esq.,
American Numismatic society,
156th street, West of Broadway,
New York City, N.Y.

My dear Wood:-

I am [redacted] writing to you in order to wish you and yours the compliments of the season more than anything else, but as I am about it, I might as well extend this letter to other matters.

I have now carefully looked over your last accounts. I find everything correct, since we have also checked up all the coins you returned and found in order. There is, nevertheless a small item which does not tally with ours.

In your statement of goods handed over to the U.S.Coin Co., contained in your letter of Dec. 18th, 1912, there appear, among others, 4 copies of Chinese Openwork Charms, which number I see was in conformity with our books at the time. In the statement from the U.S.Coin Co. which you sent us with your letter of July 15th, 1914, credit is given us for 1 copy. Therefore three copies ought to still remain, but I do not see them entered in your statement of Items still on hand with you, as per your letter of October 2nd, where the remaining 14 copies of Corean Coin Charms are duly entered. Can this have been a slip or an error of mine in calculation?

As a mere formality and in order to have a clear record, I am sensing a statement of items on hand with you, which is nothing more or less than a copy of yours.

As I told you before, I am in no hurry for any of these things to be returned, on the contrary, when you find that you can not sell them, then please advise me to this effect, as I will then say what is to be done with them, as if returned over here, I would again have to pay duty on them. Take your time, then, over their disposal.

I have just received a letter from friend Reilly in which he says that he must give up investing any more on coins on account of increased expenses, although his income remains as formerly. It is the same everywhere, only in most cases, including my own, not only has expenditure

increased, but income decreased, so that we are burning the candle at both ends as it were. Fortunately our retail mail order business among the Japanese covers our working expenses, which are comparatively small, as I do not come in. If any profit is made, I can get my share of it, but if there is nothing, I am left with nothing. Our business abroad is almost nil now since most of our good clients have had wo draw in their horns, so that I am tempted to look elsewhere for something to do and leave the business entirely to my brother in law to conduct through these hard times. Anyhow, these are castles in the air and something might turn up at any moment to change all our plans for the future.

I am sendi ⅍ you under separate cover 11 copies of a small monograph which I have just gotten out. One copy is for yourself,* with my compliments, the remaining ten for sale on commission, which perhaps you can easily dispose of as the price is not excessive.

I think I have nothing further to add than to repeat the principal object of this letter to wish you, in union with your family, every felicity in the coming year, hoping that it will be prosperous to you in every way, including health, that priceless of treasures, as well as to Mrs. Wood and your little daughter.

Yours sincerely,

W. Ramsaur.

* Could you please have it reviewed ?

P.S. Can you get some type foundry in your country to send me their catalogue and price lists, as we think of ordering some type from abroad.

I sent a rubbing of the egg shaped coin to Valentine and he said that it had incised 'Zark Jarkand' زرك يارقند on one side and Khiz bin' alla Ub خضر on the other. You remember you told me you thought it was not either Arabic or Turki.

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The Yokohama Numismatic Society.

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34, Water Street,
Yokohama.

President: H. A. RAMSDEN.

Yokohama, 15th December, 1914

Howland Wood Esq.,
American Numismatic Society,
156th Street, West of Broadway,
New York City. N.Y.

My dear Wood:-

Many thanks for your kind letter of November 9th. It was very good of you to copy out the long list of Malay tokens from the Batavia Museum Catalogue and Spephanik sale. I will write to Batavia, but I doubt if they will be able to supply me with the drawings or rubbings of them, as the mere description is not sufficient for my purpose. I appreciate greatly your kindness in this connection.

Thanks also for the rubbings of the pieces in your collection. I will certainly make use of them where necessary when I get out my monograph on this subject.

I have not yet heard that the Chinese governement have discontinued using the modern struck copper pieces and now only the cash currency was used. As far as I can make out, the same old struck pieces are being used, but not many new types have appeared of late.

Reilly also wrote to me that he would have to give up making additions to his coin collection. As he is our last good customer who has given up his activities in the buying line, our business now abroad has almost dwindled down to nothing. I have still the foreign museums and booksellers, but they are not regular or large customers. I have consequently decided to look elsewhere for work and have applied to two different governments to enter their service, but for the moment have received no definite replies. I want some position which will allow me to dedicate my spare time to numismatic literature and my private collection without having to eternally be worried about the material side of life. I have sufficient private income to live economically, but not enough to make additions to my collection and finance literary ventures. I can not give up numismatics, as, since the illness of my wife, my sons absence in England and other worries, my hobby is bread to me and without it I would have but little pleasure in this life, in view of my present situation. My brother in law would continue the business, but as he would natu-

rally attend first to the business among the Japanese, which is now considerable, I do not know how much time he would be able to spare for the foreign section which requires a considerable correspondence but which leaves little or no profit. I hope to be able to keep up corresponding with friends, but if I have little spare time after my official duties are terminated, I shall perhaps need it all for my personal ends and not be able to do much in this direction myself. Any how, it is still premature to say what I will do, but as things now are, it is necessary for me to look out for other work, as the business is now so small as to leave no profit for the two of us.

Thanks for pointing out that the egg shaped coin, rubbing of which I sent you, was to be found in the "Numismatist". I already knew of this, as well as a reference to two such pieces in a Chinese work which served for the basis of the Japanese magazine in question. What I wanted chiefly to know is what inscription they bore and as Valentine has already communicated this to me, I am now in possession of all I wanted to know about them. I believe there were two different issues, one for Ush and the other for Kashgar, but as I do not know Arabic, I was unaware which was which.

I believe the American Numismatic Association publish a small book with the names and addresses of all members of that Society. If it is worth anything, could you send me a copy please.*

For the last year we have been unable to add any hansatsu to our stock and it seems as if soon they will all be exhausted. They have now here increased in price and the demand seems to be more pronounced than formerly when they could be got easier. We have still two larger collections that those which you have for sale for our account, none of them over 150 specimens, but mention this to you in case you ever have need for larger lots.

As you probably know already, from next year the Journal will be called THE JOURNAL OF FAR EASTERN NUMISMATICS and only include numismatic subjects and printed in English with explanatory texts in Japanese, instead of actually bi-lingual as formerly. I have written to Mehl to see if he would accept the Agency for receiving subscriptions, as no more single copies are sold separately, as it will be quarterly instead of monthly.

I think this is all for today.

With repeated thanks for all your kindness,

Yours sincerely, H. A. Ramsdell.

I want this for sending out new price lists and circulars to as many coin collectors as possible and would it be asking you too much if you would mark all those which you think might be got to take some interest in Far Eastern Coins and medals.

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Yokohama, 23rd December, 1914.

Howland Wood Esq.,
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156th Street, West of Broadway,
New York City. N.Y.

My dear Wood:-

I am enclosing a letter for Sears which speaks for itself. We did not wish to disburse any more for his account in view of the hard times and proposal in his letter. We are gaining nothing over this transaction, as we paid the exact sum for this collection which we charged Sears. We hope that it will not take long to settle this matter, as it would not be agreable to wait until the whole thing is arranged before he settles with us. It is not our fault that the C.H.Officer at Chicago made this mistake and we ought not to be made to suffer in consequence. We have our own little troubles with the C.H. here and on such occasions we have fought it out and if we lose, we just settle up and place this amount to the credit and loss account. I am sorry for Sears and hope he will arrange the matter satisfactorily.

I am getting up a small monograph on the Bamboo tokens of China. Can you tell me if the Smithsonian Institute in your country has published anything about them, as I believe they have a specimen or two?

Our Xmas this year will not all be joy and happiness, but this is no reason why we should not make the best of what we have got. Those poor people fighting in the frozen trenches in Europe must indeed fare badly, so that we ourselves might be worse than what we are.

I have not yet heard anything definite about what I told you about in my last letter, as neither the Cuban or Chinese Governments have yet given me an answer to my application.

I got a letter from Reilly a few days ago. Although he has given up buying, he is evidently as interested as ever. You can do a lot to keep him up to the mark and he can not give up Sino-numismatics entirely if he wishes to remain in one of the Boards of the American Numismatic Society in charge of Oriental coinages.

Although I have dated this letter the 23rd, it is really Christmas morning and I wish you a merry one.

Sincerely,

H.A. Ramsden

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Mr. H. A. Ramsden
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My dear Ramsden:-

Two of your letters are at hand and I willproceed to get busy with these. The chief thing, however, is to send youua check for the enclosed account. I intended sending this two or three weeks ago but have found it impossible to get way down-town to get a check drawn.

There is nothing very new from Reilly. I see him all the time. He is eager and anxious to keep on collecting but lack of money is the chief draw-back. I trust you will keep on with your numismatic work, and that you will receive some favorable reply from one of the Governments you have written to.

I am herewith enclosing the addresses of members of the A.N.A. This of course is not quite up to date but you can make it so by going over the last year or so of the Numismatist. It is hard to say who would be interested and who would not. About all I can do is to scratch out those names I know would not be interested. I will keep in mind that you have two larger collections of Hansatu.

If I remember rightly, the last number of your Journal received is number 3 of volume IV. Is this right? I have sent your letter on to Sears, but as I know he has been off on a trip, I have consequently not heard from him. I think this will all come out satisfactorily. If I remember rightly theeSmithoian Institute published some years ago, a plate of bamboo tokens, but said next to nothing about them.

I have just received a letter from Frank Higgins asking if I can get one or two Korean charms for him. I am enclosing his letter and you can fill his order or not, for him.

Very truly yours,